Welcome to the Seventh IEEE International Symposium on Web Site Evolution, WSE 2005!
Following the tradition of previous WSE events, this year’s meeting is co-located with the IEEE International Conference on Software Maintenance (ICSM), offering participants a successful formula of keynote addresses, technical presentations, and discussion forums.

For 2005, WSE has broadened its areas of interest to include two complementary interpretations of the phrase “Web Site Evolution.” The first area covers the manner in which Web applications and related design and development techniques are evolving. The second deals with how existing Web applications can be maintained and allowed to evolve in a disciplined manner. As a result, WSE 2005 has attracted contributions from researchers and practitioners addressing both areas of interest. This symposium provides participants with the opportunity to view their works as complementary aspects of the unique process of Web applications development.

The WSE 2005 Program Committee received a very high number of top-quality submissions. This allowed us to include a greater number of excellent papers in the proceedings. During the symposium, topics covering the entire life cycle of Web applications will be discussed, including (but not limited to) the following:

- Web design models and methodologies, at various levels of abstraction
- Tools and techniques for the analysis, reverse engineering, and reengineering of legacy Web applications
- Environments, tools, and technologies for the development of Web applications
- Empirical studies of Web site evolution
- Web application (re)documentation
- Quality evaluation of Web applications
- Cost/benefit estimations and evaluations

This is expected to result in highly interactive technical sessions and offline discussions. The increased interest in WSE 2005 may lead to an extended version of the symposium for future editions. For this year, the entire WSE 2005 organization hopes that you enjoy the symposium and the city of Budapest!

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